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TO: The Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

Please find enclosed the following:

Copy of Notice of Incomplete Non Provisional Application
Prior Art Statement
Drawings for the Back Bone Beam Dolly Fig 1-18.
Abstract separate
Claims 1-16 separate sheet
Declaration for Utility Patent.

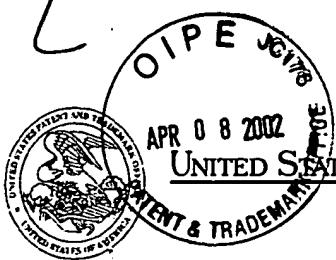
Please assign filing date for this Utility Patent Application.

Respectfully

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Steven Riggin".

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NOTICE OF INCOMPLETE NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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A filing date has NOT been accorded to the above-identified application papers for the reason(s) indicated below.

All of the items noted below and a newly executed oath or declaration covering the items must be submitted within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice, unless otherwise indicated, or proceedings on the application will be terminated (37 CFR 1.53(e)).

The filing date will be the date of receipt of all items required below, unless otherwise indicated. Any assertions that the item(s) required below were submitted, or are not necessary for a filing date, must be by way of petition directed to the attention of the Office of Petitions accompanied by the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)). If the petition states that the application is entitled to a filing date, a request for a refund of the petition fee may be included in the petition.

- The application was deposited without drawings. 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence) requires a drawing "where necessary for the understanding of the subject matter sought to be patented." *Applicant should reconsider whether the drawings are necessary under 35 U.S.C. 113 (first sentence).*

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- The Claim(s) commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.75(h)).
- Abstract must be on a separate sheet.

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This is the Prior Art Statement for the backbone beam dolly Application Number
10/053,896

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Prior Art Statement

In February of 2002 a comprehensive search of relevant prior art was made in Stillwater, Oklahoma at the Oklahoma State University Library.

Class 280 was searched with emphasis on subclasses 47.16, 47.17 and 47.18.

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not relevant

The following patents are brought to the examiners attention as relevant prior art:

- Patent #6,328,329 collapsible shopping cart
U.S. Patent #6,328,319 Hand truck convertible to a cart
6,302,414 Multiple use hand trucks
6,193,319 Handle propelled load carrying land vehicle and multipurpose dolly truck.

Searches in other classes were made among them 254, 180, 414 and 52.

An extensive effort was made searching Class 52 to find a truss or a beam that incorporated internal female receivers. No beam was found.

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